

## Mansfield Board of Education Office of the Superintendent

Kelly M. Lyman Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Families.

Each year around this time I send a reminder regarding our plans on inclement weather days. As in the past, our options include delaying the start of school, dismissing school early, or cancelling school completely for the day. Details for this year are below. In addition, I remind you that we use an automated calling system to alert you of these decisions. A recorded phone message is sent to your home and cell phones along with an email message using the information on file in your child's school. You may also opt in to text messages. Simply text the word "yes" to 68453 to activate this service.

During the emergency order under which schools are operating during the pandemic, the State Board of Education is allowing districts to conduct a day of remote learning in lieu of cancelling school on inclement weather days. Such days must follow guidance for distance learning including nearly 50% of the time devoted to synchronous learning. Last evening, the Mansfield Board of Education revised the 2020-2021 school calendar to allow for a combination of school cancellations and remote learning days if we must physically close schools due to inclement weather. The first three days will be traditional "snow days" with schools closed for all in-person and remote learning. Should we need to close schools any additional days, those days will be remote learning days for all students. It is expected that all students will log in to either See Saw or Google Classroom at the school start time on a "remote snow day." The revised calendar is included with this communication.

Should the weather necessitate delaying the start of the school day or closing early, we will operate using the schedules below. Please note that delayed openings will typically result in a two hour delay but on rare occasions we may decide to delay the opening of school by three hours. There is no prekindergarten AM class on delayed opening days. The schedules below will be followed for all students learning in person or remotely. Buses will follow this schedule as well so plan to be at the bus stop two (or three) hours later than normal on a delayed opening day. Also, please have plans in advance for your child if you are not home on an early closing day.

Sincerely.

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Grades K-4	School starts – 11:00 AM; School ends – 3:30 PM
Morning Prekindergarten	CANCELLED
Afternoon Prekindergarten	Session starts - 12:50 PM; Session ends - 3:30 PM
Grades 5-8	School starts – 10:05 AM; School ends - 2:50 PM

3 HOUR DELAYED OPENING*	
Grades K-4	School starts – 12:00 PM; School ends – 3:30 PM
Morning and Afternoon Prekindergarten	CANCELLED
Grades 5-8	School starts – 11:05 AM; School ends - 2:50 PM

EARLY CLOSING OF SCHOOL	
Grades K-4	School dismisses – 12:45 PM
Morning Prekindergarten	School day extended, dismisses – 12:45 PM
	Note: Lunch will be provided
Afternoon Preschool	CANCELLED
Grades 5-8	School dismisses – 12:05 PM

DELAYED OPENING ON AT SCHEDULED EARLY CLOSING DAY: Early Closing is CANCELLED and normal closing time is observed		
Grades K-4	School starts – 11:00 AM; School ends – 3:30 PM	
Morning Prekindergarten	CANCELLED	
Afternoon Prekindergarten	Session starts - 12:50 PM; Session ends - 3:30 PM	
Grades 5-8	School starts – 10:05 AM; School ends - 2:50 PM	